

**M E M O****TO:-** Charles J. McDonald**DATE:-** August 12, 1980**FROM:-** Gary A. Molchan**RE:-** Combe Fill & Combe Equipment

July 1980

Effective Monday, July 14, 1980, Combe Fill instituted two new rates for disposal services. Municipal solid waste at \$.75 and \$.95 per cubic yard was increased to \$1.05 per cubic yard and bulky waste at \$1.10 and \$1.25 per cubic yard was increased to \$1.35 per cubic yard. This increase is instituted pursuant to a Board of Public Utilities Order dated July 7, 1980.

Volumes and sales are below budget due to two items as follow:

- A. Solid waste from S.W. of Conn. fluctuates below that budgeted as the start-up program for commercial operation of the Bridgeport plant progresses.
- B. Solid waste from collector haulers is transported to other sites for disposal due to the rate increase. The Board of Public Utilities refuses to recognize the real economics of solid waste transportation and they insist we have an effective "franchise" for disposal when in fact we have experienced a decrease in volume due to the long standing, coordinated effectiveness of the private haulers and their ability to redistribute the solid waste stream.

Remedial action for the aforementioned is to file before the B.P.U. for a "registered franchise", however, due to the legislative intent of the New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act such action is conditioned on D.E.P. approval.

Expense items are within the proposed budget taking into account the following:

Property taxes - re-assessment presently being litigated, however, taxes must be paid in order to have B.P.U. recognize the expenditure. (\$12,000)

Business taxes - N.Y.O. charge not budgeted. (\$9,600)

Salaries - Gary Molchan added to Combe Fill payroll due to formation of R.M. Also extra pay period in this month. (\$1,700)

Diesel Fuel - extended operation due to compliance with Superior Court Order. (\$2,000)

Rentals - non-budgeted items, two D-8's. (\$17,400)

Total of above items = \$42,700.00

